

**DeJarnette Center
Staunton, Virginia**

Snapshot Inspection

Office of Inspector General

Executive Summary: While at DeJarnette Center on May 10, 2000 for the purpose of conducting a secondary inspection, an unannounced general tour of the facility was conducted. This is a snapshot inspection. Areas reviewed in a traditional snapshot inspection include: general conditions of the facility, adequacy of staffing present and general activity of the patients at the time of inspection.

The facility was found to be in good general condition. The facility was with adequate numbers of staff present. The activity of patients was appropriate.

PART ONE: GENERAL CONDITIONS OF THE FACILITY

Finding 1.1: The facility was well maintained, lighted and clean throughout.

Background: A brief walk through of the hospital revealed that the units were clean, organized and generally well maintained. This tour occurred at the end of breakfast time, prior to the start of the structured daily activities. Clients were on the units in small groups, engaged in a variety of leisure time activities, which were facilitated by staff. On the adolescent side of the building, the units had the center door between them open so as to promote greater integration of clients and staff. It seemed as though there was an adequate mix of staff and clients and that this was contributing to a positive, well-managed therapeutic environment.

Construction was taking place outside of the building to increase the height of the exterior courtyard walls. This did not appear to be disruptive to the inside of the building or to client programming.

Recommendation: Continue to maintain the facility.

PART TWO: STAFFING PATTERNS

Finding 2.1: The staffing patterns were adequate and consistent with CRIPA expectations.

Background: Staffing patterns, for the day shift, during the time of the inspection were as follows:

Adolescent unit combined	Census/ 23 patients	2RN's	6 HSCW's
Child unit	Census/ 12 patients	1 RN	4 HSCW's
Pre-adolescent unit	Census/ 8 patients	1 RN	5 HSCW's

Recommendation: None. Continue current staffing patterns.

PART THREE: PATIENT ACTIVITY

Finding 3.1: Patients were observed to be involved in structured leisure activities.

Background: This inspection occurred at an unusual two week time period between school and regular summer enrichment programming. The facility was inspected mid morning on June 9th. The children were engaged in activities that were structured and led by staff.

Recommendation: Continue to develop activities that have a clear treatment, rehabilitation focus.

Finding 3.2: Plans to operationalize a new psychosocial rehabilitation program are expected to be implemented by June 19, 2000.

Background: During the visit, patients were observed in various leisure time activities on the units, prior to beginning the summer school enrichment program which runs for two weeks after the normal school year. During this period, clients participate in small classroom activities similar to the regular school year. Once this enrichment program is complete, the entire facility will implement a psychosocial rehabilitation program, which they have been planning for a number of months. A schedule for this was provided indicating that active treatment will occur Monday- Friday. The first group will meet at 10:30am and the last of the day begins at 3:45pm. It should be noted that the continuation of this program will be challenging for the staff once the school year

resumes, since a balance will need to be achieved in terms of academic and treatment priorities. The facility director stated that the programming would shift to evening and weekend hours when school restarts, which will require staff to flex their work schedules in order to accommodate professional staff involvement during less traditional hours.

Recommendation: None at this time. We look forward to reviewing the progress of this program.